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PSC APPROVES ELECTRIC TERRITORIAL AGREEMENT

JEFFERSON CITY—The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an agreement reached by Laclede Electric Cooperative, the City of St. Robert and the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission regarding a second electric territorial agreement between the cooperative and the city.

The territorial agreement designates the boundaries of each electric service provider for new structures within the Hickory Valley Subdivision in St. Robert, Missouri. The territorial agreement will not require the transfer of any facilities or customers.

The agreement filed on April 3, 2007, stated the territorial agreement will allow the City of St. Robert and Laclede Electric Cooperative to avoid wasteful duplication of electric services within the affected service area. It also indicated the agreement will make the most effective use of past investment in a substation and distribution facilities of Laclede Electric Cooperative while avoiding the necessity of duplicate investment by the City of St. Robert. Parties also noted the agreement will enhance public safety and will enable customers to know who will be their electric service provider.

"The Commission finds that the territorial agreement will allow the City and the Cooperative to avoid wasteful duplication of electric services within the affected service area. The territorial agreement will also allow the most efficient use of current facilities. The Commission finds that the territorial agreement is in the public interest," the Commission's order said.